GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7894
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POWERS TO INCREASE EXCISE AND CUSTOMS DUTIES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government have decided to assume emergencyfinancial power to increase excise and customs duties irrespective of any legal limitations;

(b) if so, the precise decision taken in the matter; and

(c) the details of the increase in duties affected under these emergency powers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE(SHRI GINGEE N.RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) No, Sir

(b) &(c) does not arise in view of the reply to (a) above.